

North Carolina Department of Public Safety

Legislative Update

Week of May 3, 2021

Roy Cooper, Governor Erik A. Hooks, Secretary

As the General Assembly prepares for the May 13th crossover deadline, a frenzy of activity swirls around the building each day, the anticipation mounts for each bill, and the floor debates become much livelier. Crossover is the date by which non-budget bills must advance out of the originating chamber to remain eligible for consideration during the rest of the 2021-22 session. Consequently, the workflow for legislators leading up to next Thursday's deadline has vastly increased, with over 1,700 House and Senate bill actions taking place this week.

House Bill 560, *Public Safety Reform* (the DPS omnibus) was heard in the House Judiciary 2 and House Rules committees Tuesday. The bill generated opportunities for discussion and debate but ultimately received favorable reports in both committees. On Wednesday, the bill was heard on the floor. Three friendly amendments were made and House Bill 560 passed with a vote of 89-27.

On Thursday, House Bill 615, Juvenile Court Mental Health Assessments received two favorable reports from the House Health and House Rules committees. The bill will be heard on the House floor during the Monday, May 10th session. Similarly, House Bill 608, Dignity for Women Who are Incarcerated reported favorably out of the same committees and is also scheduled to be heard on Monday. (Note: An amendment was made in the House Health committee to revise the visitation requirement for minors under the age of 1, by limiting this requirement to incarcerated women only, rather than any incarcerated person.)

DPS Bills with Action this Week

(Note: Click on the bill title to view the most current version of the bill)

Division(s) Impacted	Sponsor(s)	Bill #	Short Title	Action
ABC	McNeill	H 278	Sunset ABC Board Participation in LGERS.	5/6/2021 Senate Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
NCNG	Winslow, Cleveland, Goodwin, and Zenger	H 297	DMV Active Duty Military <u>Exemptions</u>	5/6/2021 House Passed 3rd Reading 114-0
Law Enforcement	McNeill, Hardister, Faircloth, and Miller	H 304	Protect Personal Info/LEOs, Judges, <u>DAs.</u>	5/6/2021 House Passed 3rd Reading 112-0

AC	Sasser	H 395	Extend Deadlines for Mandatory HIE Particip.	5/6/2021 Senate Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
Law Enforcement/ACJJ	Zenger	H 417	The Sergeant Mickey Hutchens Act.	5/6/2021 House Passed 3rd Reading 112-0
Law Enforcement/ACJJ	Faircloth, McNeill, Greene, and Miller	H 418	Threaten LEO or Correctional Officer.	5/6/2021 House Passed 3rd Reading 102-10
Law Enforcement/ACJJ	K. Baker	H 436	Support Law Enforcement Mental Health.	5/6/2021 Senate Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
Law Enforcement	Potts, Boles, and Moss	H 448	Auth. Use of Blue Lights on Fire Apparatus.	5/6/2021 House Passed 3rd Reading 101-11
Law Enforcement	Szoka	H 536	Law Enforcement Duty to Intervene.	5/6/2021 Senate Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
AC	Szoka	H 547	Use Law Enf. Decert Index/Clarify APA.	5/6/2021 Senate Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
Law Enforcement	Szoka	H 548	Duty to Report Giglio Information.	5/6/2021 Senate Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
NCNG	Greene	H 552	Remote License Conversion for Military.	5/4/2021 House Re-ref Com On Transportation

Department-Wide	Boles	H 560	Public Safety Reform.	5/6/2021 Senate Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
EM/Admin	Kidwell, Hanig, and Moss	H 570	No Vaccine Mandate by EO, Rule, or Agency	5/6/2021 House Placed On Cal For 05/10/2021
NCNG	Hardister, Szoka, and Martin	H 584	Vet. Posttraumatic Stress/Mitigating Factor.	5/4/2021 House Re-ref Com On Judiciary 2
Legal	McNeill	H 606	Prohibit Collusive Settlements by the AG.	5/6/2021 House Passed 3rd Reading 60-48
Law Enforcement (Specifically SBI)	McNeill	H 607	LEO Background Checks/FBI Rap Back Services.	5/6/2021 House Passed 3rd Reading 111-0
AC	K. Baker	H 608	Dignity for Women Who are Incarcerated.	House Placed On Cal For 05/10/2021
JJ	Davis	H 615	Juvenile Court Mental Health Assessments.	House Placed On Cal For 05/10/2021
EM	Torbett	H 657	School Safety/Threat Assessment Teams.	5/6/2021 Senate Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
Law Enforcement	B. Jones	H 692	Restrict Certain Vehicle Modifications.	5/6/2021 House Passed 3rd Reading 107-5
Law Enforcement/GCC	Szoka	H 757	The Police Use-of-Force Transparency Act.	5/3/2021 House Ref to the Com on Judiciary 3, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

Law Enforcement/NCNG	Blackwell	H 761	Police Vehicle and Equipment Protection Act.	House Placed On Cal For 05/10/2021
ABC	Moffitt	H 768	LRC ABC Law Study.	House Placed On Cal For 05/11/2021
AC	Insko	H 770	Realign Enforcement/HIE Network Participation.	5/4/2021 House Ref To Com On Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House
NCNG	Farkas	H 772	Long-Term Care for NC Veterans.	5/4/2021 House Ref to the Com on Health, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House
ALE/SHP/SBI/GCC/ACJJ	McNeill	H 775	Fund Law Enforcement/Detention/Corrections.	5/4/2021 House Ref to the Com on Appropriations, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House
Law Enforcement/Admin	Autry	H 786	Enhance Local Response/Mental Health Crises.	5/4/2021 House Ref to the Com on Health, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the Hous
Admin	Harrison	H 789	Energy Savings Incentives/State Agencies.	5/4/2021 House Ref to the Com on Energy and Public Utilities, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House
Law Enforcement	Moffitt	H 781	Bring Business Back to Downtown.	5/6/2021 House

				Passed 3rd Reading 103-7
ALE	Torbett	H 801	Game Nights/Residential Centers.	5/4/2021 House Ref to the Com on Commerce, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House
Admin	Farkas	H 802	Pilot STAR Programs.	5/4/2021 House Ref to the Com on Appropriations, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House
EM/Law Enforcement	Moore	H 805	Prevent Rioting and Civil Disorder.	House Placed On Cal For 05/10/2021
NCNG/Law Enforcement	D. Hall	H 807	Uniformed Heroes Voting Act.	5/4/2021 House Ref to the Com on Election Law and Campaign Finance Reform, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House
EM/IT	Saine	H 813	Prohibit State Agencies Payment of Ransomware.	5/5/2021 House Ref to the Com on State Government, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

Law Enforcement/EM	Saine	H 846	25-Year Retirement for First Responders.	5/5/2021 House Ref to the Com on Pensions and Retirement, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House
SCP	Terry	H 873	Repeal 2015 Law Relating to Monuments.	5/5/2021 House Ref To Com On Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House
EM	Moffitt	H 876	Vaccination Private Choice Protection Act.	5/5/2021 House Ref To Com On Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House
SBI	Faircloth	H 886	Auth. License Plate Readers in State ROW.	5/5/2021 House Ref to the Com on Transportation, if favorable, Judiciary 3, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House
AC	Hawkins	H 887	Automatic and Online Voter Registration.	5/5/2021 House Ref To Com On Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House
ABC	Moffitt	H 890	ABC Omnibus Legislation.	5/5/2021 House Ref to the Com on Alcoholic Beverage Control, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House
SHP	Logan	H 902	Funds to Record & Store Highway Camera Video.	5/6/2021 House Filed

EM/NCORR	B. Jackson, Harrington, and Hise	S 172	2021 COVID-19 Response & Relief.	5/6/2021 House Ref To Com On Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House
Law Enforcement	Britt, Daniel, and Lee	S 300	Criminal Justice Reform.	5/5/2021 Senate Re-ref Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate

2021 Bill Filing Deadlines

House of Representatives:

Drafts	Filed in House By 3 PM
Public Bills	Tuesday, May 11
(Approps or Finance)	

Bills eligible to be filed in 2021 with no deadlines

- (1) Redistricting bills for House, Senate, Congress, or local entities.
- (2) Ratification of amendments to the Constitution of the United States.
- (3) Resolutions pertaining to the internal affairs of the House or adjournment resolutions.
- (4) Bills introduced on the report of the House Committees on Appropriations, Finance, or Rules.

Senate:

The Senate bill filing deadline has passed.

* CROSSOVER DEADLINE* Thursday, May 13, 2021

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